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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants have carefully reviewed the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, mailed on 9/1/04, submit the following in complete response thereto, and request reconsideration of the claims presented.

The Office indicated that the amendment and Request for Continued Examination filed on 8/23/04 was considered non-compliant according to 37 CFR 1.121, because each claim was not provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim could not be identified. Specifically, the Office indicated that claim 8 identified as (previously amended) should be identified as (previously presented). Additionally, the Office indicated that only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment must be resubmitted (in its entirety). Accordingly, the "AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS" section is resubmitted herein, with the claim 8 properly identified as (previously presented).

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS begin on page 2 of this paper.